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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 5, 2001 OFFICE
ACTION AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Communication is submitted in response to a November 5, 2001 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A Response to the November 5, 2001 Office Action was originally due February 5, 2001. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time. Applicants have previously established small entity status. The required fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is \$460.00 and applicants enclose a check to cover this fee. Therefore, a response to the November 5, 2001 Office Action is now due May 5, 2002. However, since May 5, 2002 falls on a Sunday, a response filed on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday, i.e. Monday, May 6, 2002, is considered timely under 37 C.F.R. §1.7. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.